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Mutant Oligonucleotides Using the)
Linear Cyclic Amplification Reaction)

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Sir:

Prior to examination, applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments.

In the specification:

In the specification after page 32 insert pages 1-3 enclosed herewith.

On page 28, please replace the paragraph starting on line 29 with the following:

Using these primers, libraries were generated from the target oxidase gene. The following examples show the specific sequences used in four separate reactions to generate the single and multiple mutants (only the forward primer sequence was given):

EXPERIMENT #1: Single amino acid saturation primer:

5'-3' TAC CAT GAC CAT GCC NNS TCC ATC ACC GCC GAG (SEQ ID NO:1)